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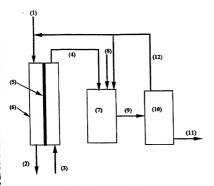
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(54) Title: METHOD FOR REMOVING AND RECOVERING AROMATIC AMINES BY USING A NON-POROUS MEM-BRANE



Aromatic amine recovery process

(57) Abstract: There is provided a process for removing and recovering one or more undissociated aromatic amines dissolved in aqueous fluid, the process comprising the steps of: (a) transferring the one or more undissociated aromatic amines from the aqueous fluid to an acidic stripping solution (3), wherein transfer of the one or more undissociated aromatic amines from the aqueous fluid to the acidic stripping solution occurs across a membrane (5); wherein the membrane is a non porous, selectively permeable membrane; (b) regulating the volume of acidic stripping solution employed relative to the volume of aqueous fluid treated so that the total aromatic amine concentration in the acidic stripping solution, comprising the sum of the dissociated and undissociated aromatic amine concentrations, is above the solubility of the aromatic amine in water; (c) regulating the pH of the acidic stripping solution in contact with the membrane so that the membrane remains selectively permeable; (d) adjusting the pH of the aromatic amine containing acidic stripping solution to a value above the acidic dissociation constant of the aromatic amine and (e) separating the resulting aromatic amine and the acidic stripping solution.

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